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Variety Name Club Italicized	5 YEAR AVERAGE (BU/A)	3 YEAR AVERAGE (BU/A)	2 YEAR AVERAGE (BU/A)	2014					
				YIELD (BU/A)	TEST WT (LBS/BU)	PROTEIN (%)	PLANT HT	HEAD DATE	SPRING STAND*
C.V. %	10	11	8	8	0.7	6.4	4	1	8
LSD (.10)	3	4	3	4	0.4	0.6	1	1	1
Average	63	56	50	48	60.3	8.7	30	147	8
Highest	69	65	59	61	62.2	12.2	34	149	9
Lowest	52	46	38	31	57.5	7.3	25	140	0

Ritzville Soft White Winter Wheat

- 1. Grain yield in the 2014 Ritzville soft white winter wheat trial averaged 48 bushels/acre, below the five-year average of 63 bushels/acre. The Ritzville nursery was located about four miles west of Ritzville, WA (R. Jirava, Cooperator).
- 2. This nursery was seeded on 10 September, 2013 following fallow. Seed was placed at a 50#/acre seeding rate using a deep-furrow plot drill set on 15-inch spacing. Base fertilizer was 60#N/acre spring applied. Fall seeding conditions were adequate and initial emergence and stand establishment were good especially for deep emerging varieties. The crop emerged before fall dormancy and was vulnerable to the December and later cold conditions that contributed to winter injury on many varieties. Ratings of spring stands are presented in the table with range from 0 (all appear dead) to 9 (full survival). Fall establishment, cold tolerance and winter survival were factors in the spring stand values. Three varieties with the lowest rated spring stands did not have adequate stands to evaluate further in the trial. The statistical CV of 8% is low historically for this location.
- 3. Yields reported ranged from 31 to 61 bushels/acre. All yield values within the 10% LSD range of the highest yield are shown in bold and this included 6 of the 48 entries in this trial. The variety 'Eltan' was the highest yielding named entry in the trial followed closely by 'Curiosity CL+' one of the two new two-gene Clearfield varieties (Eltan types). There was no stripe rust observed at this location and no fungicide was applied.

Test weights averaged 60.3 lbs/bu and ranged from 57.5 to 62.2 lbs/bu. Grain protein at 8.7% averaged lower than in 2013 with a range of 7.3 to 12.2%. Plant height averaged 30 inches and there was no lodging.

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